

To whom it may concern:

Please do not allow these companies to weaken the Indiana State Do-Not-Call law(s). This is a voluntary Opt-in law where only the people who chose not to be contacted by these telemarketing campaigns sign-up. Just because we have a telephone in our homes these companies believe they have a right to use our phone(s) that we pay the bills for to abuse us into buying there products. Would you please explain to these companies that Indiana State Do-Not-Call law(s) are voluntary Opt-in law(s) for the consumers who have voluntarily chosen to signed-up and do not want to be contacted by telemarketing – these companies just do not seem to get the message! I believe that the State of Indiana has an obligation and a duty to protect its citizens from these abuses – we have voluntarily chosen not to be contacted by telemarketing.

Telemarketing Abuse that Happened to Me before Indiana Do-Not-Call Law(s):

Before Indiana's Do-Not-Call Law(s), I was unable to set down and enjoy dinner or an evening at home because of the phone calls from telemarketers – these companies would start calling 2 hours before dinner time around 4pm and would continue until 11pm or midnight. I was unable to take my phone off the hook or turn it off because I had very sick relatives and I was worried that I might miss an important call from them. These phone calls would happen seven days a week.

I had one company that took their telemarketing a lot further than that. Because I would not buy their product, the company started calling me every 10 to 20 minutes all night. These phone calls would start around 5pm and would continue calling until 7am the next morning, this pattern would last for 30 to 45 days in a row and then the calls would stop for about a month and then the pattern start again. Holidays were worse, the company would start calling around 11am and continue calling every few minutes until around 7am the next morning, this happened on Thanksgiving, happened on Christmas, happened on Easter. This pattern continued for almost two years – I was unable to get any sleep in my own home because of this company's tactics to sell their product. I finally started going to Police in the little town I lived in for help. My first visit to police, I believe that officer wrote them a letter asking them to stop – it stopped for a very short time. The pattern started again, I went to the police again, and talked to that officer's superior and he called the company – the calls stopped. After a couple months the pattern of calls started again, I again returned to the police and talked to the Chief of Police this time and told him what had been happening. The Chief of Police had me set in his office while he called the company, we had a three-

way conversation, and he told the company that if the calls did not stop he would take action – the calls then stopped while I was living in that town. About year latter, I had to move out of that town because I had a new job in another town in Indiana and about three months after I moved the phone calls from the same company started again in my new home.

I was about to have my telephone taken out of my home when I heard about the Indiana Do-Not-Call Law(s) and signed-up. Indiana's Do-Not-Call Law(s) have stopped these telemarketing abuses. The companies that keep trying to change the Indiana Do-Not-Call Law(s) need to understand that this is a voluntary Opt-in law for the consumer. And that the people and families that have voluntary chosen not to be contacted and that we do not want our phones that we pay bill for used to abuse us!

Because of Indiana's Do-Not-Call Law(s) I have peace and enjoyment in my home now from these companies. Please do not allow these companies to change the Indiana's Do-Not-Call Law(s) – these abuses will start again.

The Federal Communications Commission has my permission to contact me in regards to this matter if you would like more information about what I consider to be telemarketing abuses that I have been a victim of: My Phone Number is, 260-358-1182, My Mailing Address is, 305 Riverside Drive Huntington Indiana 46750, My E-Mail Address is, [opir\\_reger@hotmail.com](mailto:opir_reger@hotmail.com).

Thank you for your time and please do not allow the Indian Laws to be changed!

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